

# MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DATE:

Thursday, June 2, 2022

LOCATION:

MetroPlan Orlando

David L. Grovdahl Board Room

250 South Orange Avenue, Suite 200

Orlando, Florida 32801

TIME:

9:30 a.m.

# Council Member Keith Trace, Chairman, presided

#### Members in attendance:

Mayor Phil Anderson, City of Winter Park
Councilmember Vance Guthrie, City of Maitland
Mayor Nicholas Fouraker, City of Belle Isle
Mayor John Dowless, City of Edgewood
Mayor Angie Gardner, Town of Eatonville
Mayor David Henson, City of Casselberry
Mayor Kevin McCann, City of Winter Springs
Mayor Megan Sladek, City of Oviedo
Commissioner Jordan Smith, City of Lake Mary
Council Member Keith Trace, City of St. Cloud

## Members not in attendance:

Commissioner Richard Firstner, City of Ocoee Mayor Jim O'Brien, Town of Windermere Commissioner Sal Ramos, Town of Oakland\* Commissioner Brian Sackett, City of Longwood Vacant, City of Winter Garden

\* Excused Absence

#### Others in attendance were:

Mr. Tyler Burgett, FDOT

Dr. Haofei Yu, UCF

Ms. Carol Scott, FTE

Mr. Myles O'Keefe, LYNX

Mr. Nicholas Sspatola, Faller Davis

Mr. Alex Trauger, MetroPlan Orlando

Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando

Mr. Nick Lepp, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Sarah Larsen, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Cynthia Lambert, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Mary Ann Horne, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Leilani Vaiaoga, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Taylor Laurent, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Lara Bouck, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Virginia Whittington, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Cathy Goldfarb, MetroPlan Orlando

## i. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Keith Trace called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

## II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor David Henson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## III. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Trace asked MAC members to keep their mics muted when not speaking. He welcomed new MAC member Mayor Angie Gardner from the Town of Eatonville, who introduced herself. Chairman Trace detailed the public comment procedures and noted that the meetings are accessible to all.

## IV. CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Ms. Lisa Smith conducted the roll call and confirmed a quorum.

## V. AGENDA REVIEW/FOLLOW-UP

Mr. Alex Trauger welcomed Mayor Gardner. He called attention to the importance of RSVPing to ensure a quorum. Mr. Trauger noted there were two presentations, one for the TIP and one for the PPL both of which will be action items at the next meeting. He reported there was one change to the agenda, Ms. Carol Scott was in attendance for Mr. Saiosi Fine.

#### VI. Public Comments on Action Items

None.

# VII. Agency Reports/Partner Updates

## Florida Department of Transportation

Mr. Tyler Burgett, FDOT, reported that Section 6 of the Wekiva Parkway has opened and the next section to open will be section 7A.

# LYNX

Mr. Myles O'Keefe, LYNX, reported that ridership remains at 50,000 riders per day. He told MAC members that LYNX will play a small role in the upcoming Special Olympics providing air conditioning buses for participants.

## Florida Turnpike Enterprise

Ms. Carol Scott, FTE, reported that they are installing infrastructure for a connected vehicles pilot program on FTE's section of the Mainline and Beachline. The pilot program will include que warnings, curb speed detection and wrong way driving technology. FTE, she noted, will be analyzing data collected from the pilot program next year after its completion. Mayor McCann requested an explanation of what the wrong way driving detection system involves.

#### VIII. ACTION ITEMS

# A. Approval of May 5, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Approval was requested of the May 5<sup>th</sup> MAC meeting minutes, which were provided. Mr. Trauger called attention to Mayor Fouraker's attendance virtually for the May 5<sup>th</sup> meeting which had been the first all in person meeting. He noted MAC's ability, based on the most recent bylaws, to excuse absences. MAC members discussed the status of Mayor Fouraker's attendance and concluded that he should be considered in attendance virtually.

MOTION:

Mayor Megan Sladek moved for approval of the March 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting minutes with the revision that Mayor Fouraker be counted as present attending virtually. Mayor John Dowless seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

## IX. PRESENTATIONS AND STATUS REPORTS

## A. Preview of FY 2022-23 - FY 2026/27 Transportation Improvement Program

Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando staff, presented a preview of the new FY 2022/23 – FY 2026/27 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The FDOT highway, Turnpike, Traffic Operations and Safety, bicycle and pedestrian, transit and commuter rail sections of the new TIP can be reviewed at the following link: <a href="https://metroplanorlando.org/wp-content/uploads/TIP-2023-2027-Preview.pdf">https://metroplanorlando.org/wp-content/uploads/TIP-2023-2027-Preview.pdf</a>

The FY 2026/27 – FY 2034/35 Prioritized Project List (PPL) that was adopted last year and has been updated to highlight the latest project phases that have been funded based on the new TIP, can be reviewed at the following link: <a href="https://metroplanorlando.org/wp-content/uploads/2627-PPL-Update-for-TIP-Preview-P.pdf">https://metroplanorlando.org/wp-content/uploads/2627-PPL-Update-for-TIP-Preview-P.pdf</a>

The TIP will be presented for review and action at the June/July committee and Board meetings.

Mr. Caskey provided a brief summary of the TIP and reviewed the projects with major changes. He told MAC members that he reorganized the TSMO projects, and those projects now fell under the Traffic Ops and Safety category Mr. Caskey noted that toll road projects were not included because they are funded through a different source. He called attention to the TIP public hearing scheduled for June 20<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. on Zoom. Discussion ensued regarding toll revenue on I-4 toll facilities with ARPA funding, do safety projects reorganized under Traffic Ops have a funding allocation change and SunRail Phase III funding over the next five years and a breakdown for that.

## B. Preview of FY 2027/28 – FY 2034/35 Prioritized Project List (PPL)

Mr. Alex Trauger, MetroPlan Orlando staff, presented a preview of the draft FY 2027/28 – FY 2034/35 PPL for informational purposes. This year the PPL must be submitted to FDOT in July and will be presented to Advisory Committees and the Board for approval during the June/July meeting cycle.

A draft list of projects can be viewed and downloaded using the following link: <a href="https://metroplanorlando.org/wp-content/uploads/MetroPlanOrlando">https://metroplanorlando.org/wp-content/uploads/MetroPlanOrlando</a> PPL 2026-2035 WebDraft 20220513.pdf

Segment-level data and evaluation scoring findings can be accessed using MetroPlan Orlando's Online Data Viewer - <a href="https://metroplanorlando.org/maps-tools/dataviewer">https://metroplanorlando.org/maps-tools/dataviewer</a>. Upon entering the Data Viewer, you will notice a layer tab entitled "Network Evaluation" (located at the upper right of the screen). Click the tab and the data layer/network will appear visualizing the composite and weighted scores. Users can also obtain attribute information by clicking the desired roadway/network segment.

Mr. Trauger reviewed the background information on the PPL, approach, considerations, funding programs, priority lists, and key priorities. He provided information on the project categories and funding sources, along with a look at what's next. Mr. Trauger reported that feedback was requested from technical partners on the PPL by June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Discussion ensued regarding source of the \$1 million per year in sidewalk funding, reevaluating four lane roads for complete streets, Eatonville Road widening project, federal grants for SunRail and, Brightline, Orange County one-cent sales tax initiative separate process for local projects and the impact on PPL Projects.

## C. Status Update on MetroPlan Orlando's Ozone Contingency Plan

MetroPlan Orlando has partnered with the University of Central Florida to study how vehicle emissions impact the air quality in our region. The Ozone Contingency Plan explores how different scenarios may impact ozone levels and proposes strategies on mitigating emissions. Dr. Haofei Yu of UCF gave a status update on the plan, which will be completed in 2023. Dr. Yu provided background information on ozone pollution including levels that violate the Clean Air Act standards, history of the local tri-county ozone levels, and ozone formation. He reviewed the goals, tasks, method, and current progress of the contingency plan. Dr. Yu detailed the results for 2011 and 2017 including spatial and temporal distribution for Orange, Osceola, Seminole and Lake Counties, including Lake due to Lake's impact on the tri-county area. In addition, he covered the next steps in the study. Discussion ensued regarding collecting data and use of counting cars or testing stations for collection, estimating truck traffic, gas pumping, impact of electric vehicles and what can people do to help improve air quality.

# D. Presentation on PedSafe II Program

Mr. Nick Spatola, Faller Davis, gave a presentation on the PedSafe II program in the MetroPlan Orlando region. Mr. Spatola detailed how PedSafe could improve the normal experience of crossing at an intersection. He provided information on the Orange Blossom Trail and PedSafe II projects including how projects are staggered, the benefit of staggering projects, the schedule for community outreach, and various ways the program incorporates technology. He noted that the program is set up to be proactive. Discussion ensued regarding working with Bike Walk Central Florida, technology for research or a solution, simple solutions to encourage people to use crosswalks, not giving people a false sense of security when crossing and using the defined crosswalk location.

## X. GENERAL INFORMATION

## A. FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report

The latest FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report for the Orlando area was provided.

## B. MetroPlan Orlando Board Highlights

A copy of the May 11, 2022 Board Meeting Highlights was provided.

## C. Emergency TIP Amendment

At their May 11th meeting, the MetroPlan Orlando Board approved an emergency amendment to amend the FY 2021/22 – FY 2025/26 TIP to change the length of the I-4/Daryl Carter Parkway interchange project to support water management district permitting. The need for the amendment was not identified until after most of the advisory committees had already held their April meetings. The amendment needed to be processed in a timely manner due to the schedule for the project to be let for a construction contract. The TIP amendment letter, fact sheet and resolution were provided.

## D. Air Quality Report

The latest air quality report for the MetroPlan Orlando area was provided.

#### E. LYNX Press Releases

A set of press releases from LYNX was provided.

## X. UPCOMING MEETINGS OF INTEREST

## A. Next Municipal Advisory Committee meeting

The next MAC meeting will be held in person on July 7, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. in the MetroPlan Orlando Board Room, 250 South Orange Avenue, Suite 200, Orlando FL 32801.

## B. Next MPO Board Meeting

The next MetroPlan Orlando Board meeting will be held in person on June 8, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in the MetroPlan Orlando Board Room, 250 South Orange Avenue, Suite 200, Orlando FL 32801

## XI. MEMBER COMMENTS

Mayor John Dowless commented that Commissioner Sal Ramos contacted him and let him know that he had something come up at the last minute and he was unable to attend the MAC meeting. He requested that Commissioner Ramos be considered an excused absence.

Councilmember Vance Guthrie commented that City Manager Ms. Sharon Anselmo passed away Monday night. He also welcomed Mayor Angie Gardner noting that they have worked together in the past on municipal projects.

# XII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)

None.

#### XIII. ADJOURNMENT

The Municipal Advisory Committee meeting was adjourned at 11:12 a.m.

The meeting was recorded and transcribed by Ms. Cathy Goldfarb.

Approved this 7th day of July 2022.

Council Member Keith Trace, Chairman

Ms. Cathy Goldfarb,

Senior Board Services Coordinator

As required by Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, MetroPlan Orlando hereby notifies all interested parties that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by MetroPlan Orlando with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made to include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.